UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 15, 2004

Huntsman International LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

333-85141 (Commission File Number) 87-0630358 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

500 Huntsman Way Salt Lake City, Utah (Address of principal executive offices)

84108 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (801) 584-5700

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 15, 2004, Huntsman International LLC (the "Company"), together with certain affiliated companies, issued a press release announcing its results for the three months ended September 30, 2004. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

The Company will hold a conference call on Tuesday, November 16, 2004 at 9:00am MST.

Call-in number for U.S. participants:	(877) 857-2510
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Information with respect to the conference call, together with a copy of the press release furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1, is available at www.huntsman.com under "Investor relations."

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

HUNTSMAN INTERNATIONAL LLC

/s/ JOHN R. HESKETT

John R. Heskett Vice President, Corporate Development and Investor Relations

Dated: November 15, 2004

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE November 15, 2004 **Media Contact:** Don Olsen (281) 719-4175 **Finance Contacts:** Kimo Esplin John Heskett (801) 584-5700

HUNTSMAN RELEASES THIRD QUARTER RESULTS

RESULTS SHOW CONTINUED IMPROVEMENTS RELATIVE TO SECOND QUARTER AND TO THE THIRD QUARTER OF LAST YEAR

Salt Lake City, UT—The Huntsman companies today reported third quarter 2004 EBITDA of \$293.2 million including \$33.9 million of restructuring and other charges. This compares to EBITDA in the third quarter of 2003 of \$166.9 million including charges of \$10.7 million. EBITDA for the second quarter of 2004 was \$116.3 million including charges of \$171.6 million. Third quarter 2004 Adjusted EBITDA was \$327.1 million. This represents an 84% improvement as compared to third quarter 2003 Adjusted EBITDA of \$177.6 million and 14% improvement as compared to second quarter 2004 Adjusted EBITDA of \$287.9 million.

The Company computes Adjusted EBITDA to eliminate the impacts of restructuring and reorganization costs, gains and losses on the accounts receivable securitization program, gains and losses from early extinguishment of debt, non-recurring legal and contract settlements and minority interest in order to provide investors with a more meaningful measure of the companies' operational performance. See footnote (2) on page 9 for more information on EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA.

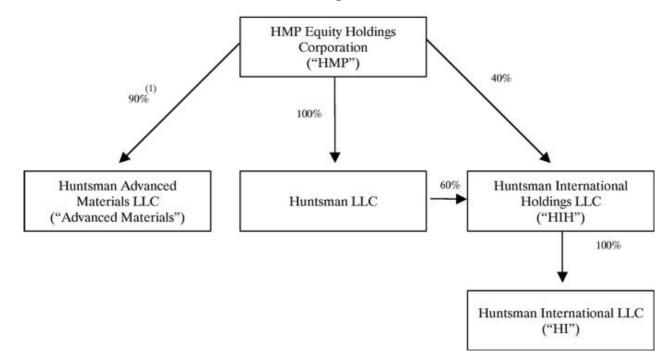
The combined Huntsman companies include HMP Equity Holdings Corporation ("HMP") and its principal operating subsidiaries Huntsman LLC, Huntsman International Holdings LLC ("Huntsman International" or "HIH") and Huntsman Advanced Materials LLC ("Advanced Materials").

As of September 30, 2004, HMP and its subsidiaries had combined cash and unused borrowing capacity of approximately \$923 million, comprised of \$185 million at Huntsman LLC (excluding HIH), \$629 million at HIH, and \$109 million at Advanced Materials.

Peter R. Huntsman, President and CEO, stated, "The third quarter results reflect a good, solid performance despite continued high and volatile energy and feedstock costs. We are finally approaching normalized levels of profitability in many of our products after years of difficult industry conditions. Our results also indicate ongoing success with our \$200 million global cost reduction initiative. We remain cautiously optimistic about our outlook for the remainder of the year."

Exhibit 99.1

Abbreviated Organization Chart



(1) Subject to preferred equity with a liquidation preference of \$513.3 million

HMP Equity Holdings Corporation Quarterly Operating Results Three Months Ended September 30, 2004

		intsman LLC Excl. HIH)(1)	_	Huntsman International Holdings	_	Huntsman Advanced Materials	_	HMP Other/ Eliminations	_	HMP Consolidated
						In Millions				
Revenues	\$	1,078.8	\$	1,651.6	\$	294.1	\$	(77.8)	\$	2,946.7
Gross profit	•	82.8		226.7	•	72.7	•	(8.5)	•	373.7
SG&A/Other expenses		38.8		103.7		28.4		(3.5)		167.4
Restructuring expenses		5.3		37.9						43.2
			_		_				_	
Operating income		38.7		85.1		44.3		(5.0)		163.1
Net (loss) income		(9.3)		52.5		(3.2)		3.7		43.7
Interest expense—net		47.3		90.7		10.5		6.1		154.6
Income tax expense (benefit)		5.1		(61.8)		36.4		(15.8)		(36.1)
Depreciation and amortization		33.1		77.9		12.4		7.6		131.0
Depreciation and amortization	_	55.1	_	11.9		12.7	_	7.0	_	151.0
EBITDA(2)	\$	76.2	\$	159.3	\$	56.1	\$	1.6	\$	293.2
Minority interest	φ	/0.2	ф	159.5	¢	5 50.1	φ	0.2	Ф	0.2
Loss (gain) on early extinguishment of								0.2		0.2
debt		(2.3)								(2.3)
Legal/ contract expenses (credits), net		(2.3)				(10.9)				(10.9)
Loss on accounts receivable						(10.9)				(10.9)
securitization program				3.7						3.7
Restructuring expenses		5.3		37.9						43.2
Restructuring expenses	_	5.5	_	37.9			_		_	43.2
Adjusted EBITDA(2)	\$	79.2	\$	200.9	\$	45.2	\$	1.8	\$	327.1

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	man LLC . HIH)(1)	 Huntsman International Holdings	_	Huntsman Advanced Materials		HMP Other/ Eliminations	 HMP Consolidated
				In Millions			
Revenues	\$ 828.9	\$ 1,275.7	\$	258.7	\$	(61.1)	\$ 2,302.2
Gross profit	53.6	139.4		56.7		(3.1)	246.6
SG&A/Other expenses	36.3	102.2		50.7		0.8	190.0
Restructuring expenses		4.8					4.8
	 		_		_		
Operating income	17.3	32.4		6.0		(3.9)	51.8
Net loss	(24.6)	(52.6)		(4.2)		(9.3)	(90.7)
Interest expense—net	34.7	88.0		10.0		5.9	138.6
Income tax expense (benefit)	7.4	(5.3)		0.2			2.3
Depreciation and amortization	32.3	67.7		13.5		3.2	116.7
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EBITDA(2)	\$ 49.8	\$ 97.8	\$	19.5	\$	(0.2)	\$ 166.9
Minority interest		0.0				(0.5)	(0.5)
Asset write down		3.0					3.0
Loss on accounts receivable							
securitization program		3.4					3.4
Restructuring expenses		4.8					4.8
Adjusted EBITDA(2)	\$ 49.8	\$ 109.0	\$	19.5	\$	(0.7)	\$ 177.6

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HMP Equity Holdings Corporation Pro Forma Segment Results

	Three MonthsThree MonthsNine MonthsEndedEndedEndedSeptember 30, 2004September 30, 2003September 30, 2004			 Nine Months Ended September 30, 2003(3)			
				In M	illion	15	
Segment Revenues:							
Polyurethanes	\$	743.9	\$	597.4	\$	2,117.4	\$ 1,718.1
Advanced Materials		294.1		258.7		866.4	790.5
Performance Products		493.7		439.5		1,399.7	1,266.3
Polymers		380.9		289.3		1,019.6	847.7
Pigments		261.6		251.0		794.7	752.5
Base Chemicals		985.5		639.3		2,755.8	1,954.2
Eliminations		(213.0)		(173.0)		(595.9)	 (444.1)
Total	\$	2,946.7	\$	2,302.2	\$	8,357.7	\$ 6,885.2
Segment EBITDA:							
Polyurethanes	\$	97.9	\$	68.9	\$	270.7	\$ 157.1
Advanced Materials		56.1		19.5		121.3	(4.7)
Performance Products		31.5		41.6		82.9	90.3
Polymers		26.5		17.3		45.6	53.4
Pigments		22.2		28.5		(53.6)	88.3
Base Chemicals		70.3		2.8		204.8	55.8
Corporate and other		(11.3)		(11.7)		(54.1)	(13.8)
Total(2)	\$	293.2	\$	166.9	\$	617.6	\$ 426.4
Segment Adjusted EBITDA:							
Polyurethanes	\$	107.8	\$	72.6	\$	303.5	\$ 179.3
Advanced Materials		45.2		19.5		112.5	62.1
Performance Products		51.9		41.6		124.1	110.4
Polymers		28.9		17.3		53.2	54.3
Pigments		25.8		29.6		73.0	89.4
Base Chemicals		77.2		2.8		213.9	55.8
Corporate and other		(9.7)		(5.8)		(40.9)	47.1
Total(2)	\$	327.1	\$	177.6	\$	839.3	\$ 598.4

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Three Months Ended September 30, 2004 (Compared to Three Months Ended September 30, 2003)

For the three months ended September 30, 2004, HMP generated EBITDA of \$293.2 million, which included \$43.2 million of restructuring charges, \$3.7 million in losses on our accounts receivable securitization program, \$2.3 million of net gains from the early extinguishment of debt, \$10.9 million of net legal settlement credits and \$0.2 million of minority interest. This compares to third quarter 2003 EBITDA of \$166.9 million which included \$4.8 million of restructuring charges, \$3.4 million in losses on our accounts receivable securitization program, \$2.0 million which included \$4.8 million of restructuring charges, \$3.4 million in losses on our accounts receivable securitization program, \$3.0 million related to asset write downs and minority interest of \$(0.5) million.

Revenues for the three months ended September 30, 2004 increased to \$2,946.7 million, or 28%, from \$2,302.2 million during the same period in 2003. Revenue increases were experienced in all segments.

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EBITDA for the three months ended September 30, 2004 increased to \$293.2 million, or 76%, from \$166.9 million during the same period in 2003. The increase in EBITDA resulted from increases in EBITDA in the Polyurethanes, Advanced Materials, Polymers, and Base Chemicals segments, partially offset by decreases in EBITDA in the Performance Products and Pigments segments. Adjusted EBITDA for the third quarter of 2004 was \$327.1 million which represented an 84% increase relative to the comparable period in 2003. Second quarter 2004 EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA were \$116.3 million and \$287.9 million, respectively.

Polyurethanes

The increase in revenues in the Polyurethanes segment was primarily due to a 19% increase in average MDI selling prices and 13% higher sales volume in MDI as compared to the 2003 period. The increase in MDI average selling prices resulted principally from improved market demand, tighter supply, the strength of the major European currencies versus the U.S. dollar, and higher raw material and energy costs. MDI sales volumes reflect further extension of markets for MDI and recent improvements in global economic conditions.

The increase in EBITDA in the Polyurethanes segment was the result of increased sales volumes and higher selling prices, partially offset by higher raw materials and energy costs. EBITDA was negatively impacted by \$9.9 million of restructuring charges recorded in the third quarter of 2004 and \$3.7 million for the same period in 2003.

Advanced Materials

The increase in revenues in the Advanced Materials segment was primarily the result of higher average selling prices, principally due to price increases in selected markets, higher raw material costs and the effects of the strength of the major European currencies versus the U.S. dollar. Sales volumes were higher due to improved customer demand.

The increase in EBITDA in the Advanced Materials segment was the result of increased revenue, lower administrative expenses and improved product mix, partially offset by higher raw material costs and manufacturing costs resulting from the strength of the major European currencies versus the U.S. dollar. EBITDA was also positively impacted by \$10.9 million in net legal settlement credits in the third quarter of 2004.

Performance Products

The increase in revenues in the Performance Products segment was primarily the result of higher average selling prices for all products partially offset by lower sales volumes for surfactants and LAB. Average selling prices increased by 18% in response to higher raw material and energy costs, improved market conditions and the strength of the European and Australian currencies versus the U.S. dollar. Sales volumes decreased by 4% primarily resulting from weak customer demand and increased competition in the marketplace.

The decrease in EBITDA in the Performance Products segment principally resulted from a restructuring charge of \$20.4 million recorded in the third quarter of 2004. In addition, higher revenues were partially offset by higher raw material and energy costs.

Polymers

The increase in revenues in the Polymers segment in the third quarter 2004 relative to the same period 2003 was primarily the result of higher average selling prices and increased sales volumes. These increases were primarily in response to higher raw material and energy costs, and stronger customer demand.



The increase in EBITDA in the Polymers segment was due primarily to increased average selling prices, increased sales volumes and improved production efficiencies which more than offset higher raw material and energy costs. EBITDA was negatively impacted by a \$2.4 million restructuring charge for the third quarter of 2004.

Pigments

The increase in revenues in the Pigments segment was primarily due to higher sales volumes as compared to the third quarter of 2003. In addition, average selling prices increased in North America and Asia but were lower in local European currencies.

The decrease in EBITDA in the Pigments segment was primarily the result of increased costs due to the strengthening of the major European currencies versus the U.S. dollar. In addition, the benefits of higher sales volume and higher average selling prices in North America and Asia were partially offset by lower average selling prices in local European currencies. EBITDA was also negatively impacted by \$3.6 million of restructuring charges recorded in the third quarter of 2004 versus \$1.1 million for the same period in 2003.

Base Chemicals

The increase in revenues in the Base Chemicals segment was primarily the result of a 58% increase in average selling prices in response to higher raw material and energy costs and the strengthening of major European currencies versus the U.S. dollars slightly offset by a 1% decrease in sales volumes.

The increase in EBITDA in the Base Chemicals segment was primarily the result of higher average selling prices, partially offset by higher raw material and energy costs. EBITDA was negatively impacted by a restructuring charge for the third quarter of 2004 of \$6.9 million.

Corporate and Other

Corporate and other items include unallocated corporate overhead, loss on our accounts receivable securitization program, unallocated foreign exchange gains and losses, other non-operating income and expense and minority interest in subsidiaries' loss, and unallocated restructuring and reorganization costs.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

HMP Equity Holdings

HMP is a holding company established to hold the common equity in Huntsman LLC, Huntsman International Holdings and Advanced Materials. HMP maintains no credit facilities.

Huntsman LLC (excluding HIH)

As of September 30, 2004, Huntsman LLC had borrowings of \$105.0 million outstanding and \$16.1 million of outstanding letters of credit under its \$275 million revolving credit facility. In addition, Huntsman LLC had \$31.3 million of cash as of September 30, 2004. Huntsman LLC's cash and undrawn availability under the revolving credit facility, as of September 30, 2004 were approximately \$185 million without taking into consideration the increased liquidity of approximately \$82 million provided by the October 14, 2004 refinancing of HLLC credit facilities. Capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 were \$46.1 million compared with \$64.6 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2003. Huntsman LLC expects to spend approximately \$70 million on capital expenditures in 2004.

Huntsman International Holdings LLC

As of September 30, 2004, Huntsman International had no borrowings outstanding and approximately \$7 million of outstanding letters of credit under its \$375 million revolving credit facility. In addition, Huntsman International had \$147.7 million of cash as of September 30, 2004. Huntsman International also maintains \$25 million of short-term discretionary overdraft facilities, all of which was available at September 30, 2004. Huntsman International's cash and undrawn availability under the revolving credit facility, off-balance sheet accounts receivable securitization facility and short-term overdraft facility as of September 30, 2004 was approximately \$629 million. Capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 were \$91.6 million compared with \$95.7 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2003. HIH expects to spend approximately \$140 to \$150 million on capital expenditures in 2004.

Huntsman Advanced Materials LLC

As of September 30, 2004, Advanced Materials had no borrowings outstanding and \$10.9 million of outstanding letters of credit under its \$60 million revolving credit facility. In addition, Advanced Materials had \$60.1 million of cash as of September 30, 2004. Advanced Materials cash and undrawn availability under the revolving credit facility was approximately \$109 million. Capital expenditures for the nine months ended September 30, 2004 were \$7.3 million as compared with \$7.5 million in the nine months ended September 30, 2003. Advanced Materials expects to spend approximately \$20 million on capital expenditures in 2004, including approximately \$10 million in capital expenditures associated with our restructuring efforts.

Outstanding Debt

	September 30, 2004
	In Millions
Huntsman LLC (excluding HIH)(1):	
Cash	\$ 31
Senior Secured Debt	1,258
Senior Unsecured Debt	400
Senior Subordinated Notes	59
Other Debt(4)	233
Subtotal	1,950
Huntsman International(5):	C
Cash	148
	1.267
Senior Secured Debt Senior Unsecured Notes	1,367 456
Senior Subordinated Notes	436
Other Debt	38
Subtotal (Huntsman International LLC)	3,021
HIH Senior and Senior Sub. Discount Notes(6)	880
Subtotal (Huntsman International Holdings LLC)	3,901
Huntsman Advanced Materials:	5,701
Cash	60
Senior Secured Notes	349
Other Debt	3
Subtotal	352
HMP:	532
Cash	
Cuon	
Senior Secured Discount Notes(7)	389
Elimination of HIH Senior Sub. Discount Notes(8)	(401)
Other Debt	10
Total HMP Debt	\$ 6,201
Total HMP Cash	239
Net Debt	\$ 5,962

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⁽¹⁾ Notwithstanding that HIH is a consolidated subsidiary of Huntsman LLC for U.S. GAAP purposes, it is financed separately from Huntsman LLC, its debt is non-recourse to Huntsman LLC and it is not a guarantor of Huntsman LLC's debt. The indentures and other agreements governing Huntsman LLC's outstanding notes and the HLLC Credit Facilities contain financial covenants and other provisions that relate to Huntsman LLC's restricted group and exclude HIH. Accordingly, we have provided supplemental non-GAAP information with respect to Huntsman LLC and its subsidiaries, excluding HIH and its subsidiaries. We believe this supplemental non-GAAP information provides investors with material and meaningful information with respect to the financial results of the business and operations which provide the primary source of cash

flow to meet Huntsman LLC's debt obligations and which are subject to the restrictive covenants in the agreements governing Huntsman LLC's debt.

- (2)EBITDA is defined as net income (loss) before interest, income taxes, and depreciation and amortization. We believe that EBITDA information enhances an investor's understanding of our financial performance and our ability to satisfy principal and interest obligations with respect to our indebtedness. In addition, we refer to EBITDA because certain covenants in our borrowing arrangements are tied to similar measures. However, EBITDA should not be considered in isolation or viewed as a substitute for net income, cash flow from operations or other measures of performance as defined by GAAP. We understand that while EBITDA is frequently used by securities analysts, lenders and others in their evaluation of companies, EBITDA as used herein is not necessarily comparable to other similarly titled measures of other companies due to potential inconsistencies in the method of calculation. Our management uses EBITDA to assess financial performance and debt service capabilities. In assessing financial performance, our management reviews EBITDA as a general indicator of economic performance compared to prior periods. Because EBITDA excludes interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization, EBITDA provides an indicator of general economic performance that is not affected by debt restructurings, fluctuations in interest rates or effective tax rates, or levels of depreciation and amortization. We have also included adjustments to EBITDA and an item referred to as "Adjusted EBITDA" in this presentation which we believe are supplemental items helpful to readers of this financial information. Adjusted EBITDA data is an important metric used by management with respect to both the performance of our fundamental business activities as well as our ability to meet future debt service, capital expenditures and working capital needs. We have computed Adjusted EBITDA to eliminate the impact of restructuring and reorganization activities which we do not consider indicative of our ongoing operations, to eliminate the impact of losses on our accounts receivable securitization program which we consider a cost of obtaining financial liquidity resources, to eliminate non-recurring legal and contract settlement charges, gains and losses from early extinguishment of debt and minority interests. You are encouraged to evaluate each adjustment we have made in calculating Adjusted EBITDA and the reasons we consider them appropriate for supplemental analysis. Our management believes these types of measurement are useful for comparing general operating performance from period to period and making certain related management decisions. Nevertheless, our management recognizes that there are material limitations associated with the use of EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA as compared to net income, which reflects overall financial performance, including the effects of interest, income taxes, depreciation and amortization and restructuring and reorganization costs.
- (3) Pro forma as if HMP had acquired the remaining interest in HIH as of January 1, 2003. Pro forma as if HMP had acquired its interest in Advanced Materials as of January 1, 2003.
- (4) Includes Australian credit facilities, mortgage note payable, subordinated note at Huntsman Specialty Chemicals Corporation, PIK note due to affiliate, and certain other debt.
- (5) Excludes approximately \$234 million of off-balance sheet financing obtained under the accounts receivable securitization program.
- (6) Interest paid-in-kind on this debt.
- (7) Interest paid-in-kind on this debt. Excludes value attributable to warrants issued in conjunction with the notes.
- (8) HMP owns the HIH Senior Subordinated Discount Notes which it acquired on May 9, 2003. These notes are eliminated in consolidation.

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Statements in this release that are not historical are forward-looking statements. These statements are based on management's current beliefs and expectations. The forward-looking statements in this release are subject to uncertainty and changes in circumstances and involve risks and uncertainties that may affect the company's operations, markets, products, services, prices and other factors as discussed in the Huntsman companies' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Significant risks and uncertainties may relate to, but are not limited to, financial, economic, competitive, environmental, political, legal, regulatory and technological factors. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the company's expectations will be realized. The company assumes no obligation to provide revisions to any forward-looking statements should circumstances change, except as otherwise required by securities and other applicable laws.

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